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**Sent:** 2/26/2021 9:39:13 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965  
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Hi Eric,

I've exported the document and cleaned up the links to reflect Sven's document preferences. Can you confirm the sentence (in track changes) on the second page looks accurate? If so, I'll move this to Billy and Anne on Monday.

Thanks,

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Maya,

I've made all of the suggested edits and deleted Ben's comment bubbles. You are good to do a final cleanup on your end and send to Billy and Anne for their review. Please copy Alan when you send it because he is acting for Mike today.

Thanks.

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Thanks for moving this to OGC, Eric. Can you confirm when you've made your final edits? I'll make sure the links are corrected before I move this to Billy and Anne.

Best,

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Ben,

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Eric,

My comments/questions and suggested edits are in the SP document.

Thanks!

- Ben

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Ben and Stephanie,

We have received another congressional inquiry about Oxitec and have drafted some language in response. We would appreciate OGC's review and comments on the draft letter given Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) If you could review and comment by noon on Monday March 1 so we can pass through our management. One quick note, the comms group from what used to be FEAD will address the formatting issues, we are looking for comments on content.

Thanks.

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**Subject:** Congressional Oxitec Letter: AL-21-000-1965

Hi Eric,

We've just received another congressional letter about Oxitec's EUP. Our previous congressional letter response (originally from Congresswoman Murcarsel-Powell) was sent to Congressman Gimenez who took Murcarsel-Powell's place as the U.S. Representative for Florida's 26th congressional district. Congressman Gimenez sent us a follow-up letter on Feb. 17 with three main requests:

- Show that no genetically modified female mosquitos will be released under this EUP;
- Explain what, if any, adverse impact these mosquitoes might have on the ecosystem throughout the Florida Keys, and specifically threatened or endangered species; and
- Explain what adverse impact this might have on the food chain through ingestion by local popular consumable marine life.

Using language from previous responses, I've written a first draft. **Can your team fill in any information gaps and review by EOD tomorrow?** The deadline for this letter is March 9.

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Thanks in advance,

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